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Applicant: Olivier de Pous et al. ) PATENT APPLICATION  
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For: ATTACHMENT DEVICE TO )  
ATTACH A PUMP OR VALVE )  
ONTO A RECIPIENT NECK )  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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IN THE ABSTRACT

Please enter the new Abstract which is printed as a separate sheet as new page 12 of the application. This Abstract is supported by the specification and claims, and replaces the original Abstract.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4, line 1, delete "or 3".

Claim 5, line 1, delete "or 3".

Claim 6, line 1, delete "or 3".

/ Claim 7, line 1, delete "any of claims 2 to 6" and insert --claim 2--.

/ Claim 8, line 1, delete "any of the above claims" and insert --claim 1--.

/ Claim 14, line 1, delete "or 13".

/ Claim 15, line 1, delete "any of claims 10 to 14" and insert --claim 10--.